

## Chapter 24 The Great Depre \$\$ion And The New Deal, 1929-1939

APUSH Review Guide for AMSCO chapter 24. Can also use other resources for the Great Depression Era.

Directions Read through the guide before you begin reading. This step will help you focus on the most significant ideas and information as you read.

Pictured at left: campaign button for Franklin Deleno Roosevelt, 1932, Public Domain

#### **Learning Goals:**

Identify and analyze the causes and effects of the Great Depression.

Analyze the ways Americans and government responded to the economic depression.

Assess the extent to which the New Deal successfully solved the problems facing Americans during the Great Depression.

#### **Key Concepts FOR PERIOD 7:**

**Key Concept 7.1**: Growth expanded opportunity, while economic instability led to new efforts to reform U.S. society and its economic system.

**Key Concept 7.2:** Innovations in communications and technology contributed to the growth of mass culture, while significant changes occurred in internal and international migration patterns.

**Key Concept 7.3:** Participation in a series of global conflicts propelled the United States into a position of international power while renewing domestic debates over the nation's proper role in the world.

#### Guided Reading... Introduction, page 496

1. After reading the first 3 paragraphs for chapter 24, explain the local and broad context of The Great Depression. Remember in your essay writing... the contextualization of your topic must be thoroughly explained with several sentences! Show that you have mastered this skill!

Local context	facts about the event, describing who/what/when etc
Broad context	the bigger picture, theme, era, why/how

## Causes and Effects of the Depression, 1929-1939, pp 496-498

## 2. Prompt: Explain why business cycle fluctuations became increasingly severe, resulting in the Great Depression.

Main Ideas	Notes/Explanations/Definitions	Analysis
Answer: Even as	Causes and Effects of the Depression, 1929-1939	Explain why the causes of the Great
economic growth continued, episodes of	Wall Street Crash	Depression led to calls for government action and reform.
credit and market		
instability, most critically		
the Great Depression, led		
to calls for the creation of a stronger financial		
regulatory system.	Block Thursday and Block Tuesday	
a. Stock Market Crash	Black Thursday and Black Tuesday	
& Burn		
-uneven distribution		
of income	Causan of the Creek	
-speculation &	Causes of the Crash	
buying on margin		
-buying on credit -overproduction	Uneven Distribution of Income	
-weak agricultural		
sector		
-tight money policy		
of Fed.		
-lack of regulation	Stock Market Speculation	To what extent was idealism about
-global economic problems		American prosperity and the American dream responsible for the Crash? Defend
-Treaty of Versailles		your answer.
b. Effects		,
3. 2	Excessive Use of Credit	
	Overproduction of Consumer Goods	
	W 15 5	
	Weak Farm Economy	
	Covernment Polisies	Of the effects discussed on march 109, 100
	Government Policies	Of the effects discussed on pages 498-499, which one is <i>the most</i> significant in
		leading to dramatic and far-reaching
		reform in the next decade? Explain your
		reasoning.
	Global Economic Problems	
	Effects	
	Effects	

## **Hoover's Policies, pp 500-501**

## 3. Prompt: How did Hoover respond to the economic downturn?

Main Ideas	Notes/Explanations/Definitions	Analysis
Answer: National, state, and local reformers responded to economic upheavals, laissez-faire capitalism, and the Great Depression by transforming	Hoover's Policies	Explain why the 20 <sup>th</sup> Amendment was ratified.
the U.S. into a limited welfare state. However, President Herbert Hoover	Responding to a Worldwide Depression  Hawley-Smoot Tariff, 1930	Explain how Harding and Coolidge may
did "too little too late" and was unsuccessful in providing effective government response to		have addressed the causes and issues that Hoover addressed "too little too late."
the crisis.  a. Rugged individualism b. Increased tariffs	Debt Moratorium	
c. Debt moratorium d. FFB	Domestic Programs: Too Little, Too Late  Federal Farm Board	
e. RFC	Reconstruction Finance Corporation (RFC)	
	Despair and Protest	
	Unrest on the Farms	Defend, Support, or Modify the following statement, "The Hawley-Smoot Tariff was the greatest example of modern stupidity since the American refusal to join the League of Nations."
	Bonus March	
	The Election of 1932	
	Democrats	
	Results	
	Hoover as "Lame-Duck" President	

## Franklin D. Roosevelt's New Deal, pp 502-507

## 4. Prompt: To what extent was Roosevelt's New Deal an expansion of Progressivism?

Main Ideas	Notes/Explanations/Definitions	Analysis
Answer: The liberalism of President Franklin Roosevelt's New Deal drew on earlier	Franklin D. Roosevelt's New Deal	Describe the significance of FDR's ability to inspire people and Eleanor Roosevelt's ability to empathize with people?
progressive ideas and represented a multifaceted approach to	FDR: The Man	
both the causes and effects of the Great Depression, using	Disability	
government power to provide relief to the poor, stimulate recovery, and reform the American economy.	Eleanor Roosevelt	
a. Fireside Chats b. First Hundred Days	New Deal Philosophy	
-21 <sup>ST</sup> Amendment -Emergency Banking Relief Act		Why did Congress support every idea FDR had in the First Hundred Days despite them being radical
-Glass Steagel Act / FDIC -HOLC -Farm Credit -	Three R.'s:	change?
Administration	Brain Trust and Other Advisers	
Continued on next page	First Hundred Days	
	Bank Holiday	
	Repeal of Prohibition	Of the Financial Reforms, which was the most significant long term? Defend your answer.
	Fireside Chats	
	Financial Recovery and Reform Programs	

Main Ideas	Notes/Explanations/Definitions	Analysis
Prompt: To what extent was Roosevelt's New Deal an expansion of Progressivism?	Relief for the Unemployed	Were any of FDR's actions during his First Hundred Days found to be unconstitutional? List and explain.
Answer Continued The liberalism of President Franklin Roosevelt's New Deal drew on earlier progressive ideas and represented a multifaceted approach to both the causes and effects of the Great Depression, using government power to provide relief to the poor, stimulate recovery, and reform the American	Industrial Recovery Program  Farm Production Control Program	
economy.  a. RELIEF & RECOVERY -FERA -PWA -CCC -TVA -NRA -AAA -CWA -SEC -FHA -WPA -RA b. REFORMS	Other Programs of the First New Deal	Was the Second New Deal better than the first? Explain your reasoning.
-Wagner Act -REA -Revenue Act -Social Security Act	The Second New Deal	
	Relief Programs	
	The Election of 1936	

## Opponents of the New Deal, pp 508-510

## 5. Prompt: Analyze opposing viewpoints to the radical changes taking place in the United States government.

Main Ideas	Notes/Explanations/Definitions	Analysis
Answer: Radical, union, and populist movements pushed Roosevelt toward more extensive reforms, even as conservatives in Congress and the Supreme Court sought to limit the New Deal's scope.	Opponents of the New Deal  Liberal Critics	Support, Refute, or Modify the following statement: The New Deal was revolutionary because it created a much more powerful central government, increased power to the executive branch, and began the modern welfare state. (skip to page 514 and read "Historical Perspectives" before answering.)
a. Not Enough! -Socialists -extreme liberals -women -minorities -Father Charles E. Coughlin -Dr. Francis E. Townsend	Conservative Critics	Defend your viewpoint with specific evidence.
-Huey Long b. Too Much! -business -American Liberty League	Demagogues	
-Supreme Court (at first)	Father Charles E. Coughlin	
	Dr. Francis E. Townsend	
	Huey Long	In response to FDR's Court Reorganization Bill Sen. Burton K. Wheeler (D-Montana) said, "Every despot has usurped the power of the legislative and judicial branches in the
	The Supreme Court	name of the necessity for haste to promote the general welfare of the masses—and then proceeded to reduce them to servitude."
	Court Reorganization Plan	Support, Refute, or Modify the following statement: Checks and Balances successfully prevented Franklin Roosevelt from becoming a tyrant.
	Reaction	
	Aftermath	
		Trivia Break: Following the Court Packing plan, the swing vote of Justice Owen Roberts, began supporting the New Deal; called the "switch in time that saved nine."

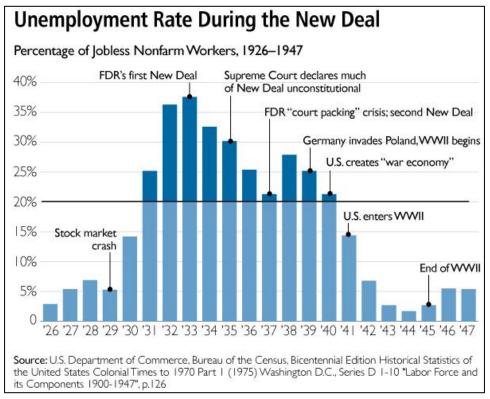
#### Rise of Unions, pp 510-511

6. Prompt: Evaluate the ways the New Deal impacted labor?

Highlight Main Ideas in the Background notes, read the pages, then record your notes and analysis below.

Background/Review... In the early 20th century, union membership rose to 6% of the labor force. There were 2.7 million members by 1913, and the share stayed around 6-7% until 1917. This was the "Progressive Era" of 1900 through 1918 which fastened a welfare-warfare state on America which has set the mold for the rest of the twentieth century. From 1842 onward, unions had the clear legal right to exist, and workers could join such "self-help" organizations, but employers were under no obligation to "bargain" with these unions. The courts also tended (ultimately) to restrict union tactics such as threats of violence, violence itself, mob action, and interference with voluntary trade. Further, the courts tended to make little distinction between business and union "restraints on competition." In 1912, Congress supplied new assistance with the Lloyd-LaFollette Act to compel collective bargaining by the US Post Office and encourage postal-union membership. In 1914, Congress passed the Clayton Anti-Trust Act with provisions to exempt unions from the 1890 Sherman Anti-Trust Act, restrict the use of court injunctions in labor disputes and declare picketing and similar union tactics as not unlawful. Samuel Gompers hailed the Clayton Act as labor's Magna Carta, but subsequent court interpretations neutered the pro-union provisions. The "national emergency" of US entry into World War I provided much of the experience and precedent for subsequent intervention on behalf of unionism, as well as for other cartel-like policies. Historian William E. Leuchtenburg, for instance, points out, "The panoply of procedures developed by the War Labor Board and the War Labor Policies Board provided the basis in later years for a series of enactments culminating in the Wagner National Labor Relations Act of 1935." Under pressure of World War I and the government's interventions, union membership skyrocketed, hitting 12% of the labor force. The end of the war ended pro-union interventions. By 1924, the union share of the labor force had slipped to 8%, and by 1933 had eroded to the same 6% as thirty years before.

Main Ideas	Notes/Explanations/Definitions	Analysis
Answer: Although the New Deal did not completely	Rise of Unions	Consider the bulk of the New Deal. Would Woodrow Wilson approved?
overcome the Depression, it left a legacy of reforms and agencies that	Formation of the CIO	To what extent was FDR continuing the legacy of Theodore Roosevelt and Woodrow Wilson? Explain and defend your answer.
endeavored to make society and individuals more secure, and it helped foster a long-term political	Strikes Automobiles	
realignment in which many ethnic groups, African Americans, and	Steel	
working-class communities identified with the Democratic Party.	Fair Labor Standards Act	Why has union member ship declined in recent eras? Ask your parents!
	Union Membership in the United States, 1930-2010  35 30 25 20 —% of employed warkers	(or Siri) ©
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#### Last Phase of the New Deal, pp 511-512

#### 7. Prompt: Evaluate the success (positive impact) of the New Deal.

Main Ideas	Notes/Explanations/Definitions	Analysis
Answer: Although the New Deal did not completely overcome the Depression, it left a legacy of reforms and agencies that	Last Phase of the New Deal  Recession, 1937-1938	List three reasons the economy took another downturn (recession of 1937-1938)?
endeavored to make society and individuals more secure, and it helped foster a long-term political realignment in which many ethnic groups, African Americans, and working-class communities	Causes	a.
identified with the Democratic Party.  The mass mobilization of	Keynesian Economics	с.
American society to supply troops for the war effort and a workforce on the home front ended the Great Depression and provided opportunities for women and minorities to improve their socioeconomic positions.	Weakened New Deal	What ended the Great Depression?
Therefore, the New Deal did not succeed in ending the Great Depression, but it did succeed in re-defining the role of government.		

## Life During the Great Depression, pp 512-513

## 8. Prompt: Analyze the impact of the Great Depression on various groups.

Main Events/Ideas	Definitions/Explanations	Analysis
Answer: Americans whelived through the Great Depression were impact in profound ways both economically and emotionally.		Explain the role First Lady, Eleanor Roosevelt, and Secretary of Labor, Francis Perkins, had in New Deal policies.
Many Americans migra during the Great Depression, often drive economic difficulties, a during World Wars I an as a result of the need wartime production lab Many Mexicans, drawn the U.S. by economic opportunities, faced ambivalent governmen	Dust Bowl Farmers  Dust Bowl Farmers	Analyze the contributions of Mary McLeod Bethune and the "Black Cabinet," (Bethune was appointed by FDR to the director of the Office of Minority Affairs in the National Youth
policies in the 1930s ar 1940s.	African Americans	Administration).
a. "Depression Mentality"  b. Women -family -discrimination -help from New Deal  c. Farmers -Dust Bowl -jobs - help from New Deal		
d. African Americans -discrimination -help from New Deal -social improvements	Fair Employment Practices Committee  American Indians	
e. Native Americans -discriminatio -help from Nev Deal -social improvements		
f. Mexican Americans -discriminatio -Dust Bowl	Mexican-Americans	

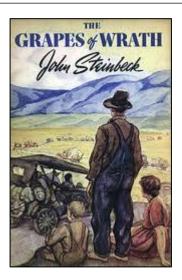
9. Analyze the following primary sources by identifying historical context and purpose or POV. Record your notes to the right of each image.

Photograph of dust cloud enveloping neighborhood, 1933



"Let the workers organize. Let the toilers assemble. Let their crystallized voice proclaim their injustices and demand their privileges. Let all thoughtful citizens sustain them, for the future of Labor is the future of America."

John L. Lewis, CIO Chairman





# 10. How was the Great Depression of 1929-1939 different from previous depressions? Complete the chart by adding the missing components.

American Panics and Depressions	Era	Causes	Effects	Significance
Panic and Depression of 1819- 1825	Era of Good Feelings	Post war drop in demand, prices fall     Farmers continue to borrow even though market demand isn't there     Speculation in western lands     Contraction of credit, led by Second BUS	Begins a 6-year depression     Inspires debate over whether or not the nation should return to specie (hard money)	The Second Bank of the United States, established in 1916, was unable to prevent or remedy the crisis. The issue of national currency became a hot topic.
Panics of 1832 & 1836 & 1837		1. Andrew Jackson refuses to renew charter of Second BUS and pulls deposits out (placing them in state/pet banks). Jackson sees the BUS as the root of the evil behind speculation and inflation  2. Nicholas Biddle calls in commercial loans in attempt to keep bank afloat, he fails  3. After demise of bank, banking anarchy replaces BUS control  4. Jackson passes Specie Circular, requiring public lands be paid for in gold or silver (hard money) (it's rescinded in 1838)  5. In response to Specie Circular, banks call in their loans  6. Great Britain has a depression causing drop in demand for American cotton prices fall  7. Van Buren continued Jackson's specie policy and signed a bill requiring all payments to the government to be in gold or silver: Sub Treasury Plan	1. 800 banks close 2. American banking system collapses 3. 33% unemployment in New York 4. 10% unemployment nationwide 5. land sales drop 6. prices drop 7. those with specie horde it 8. speculators thrive and wildcat banks increase 9. Van Buren's Sub Treasury Plan created sub-treasuries in new York, Boston, Charleston, and St. Louis a mint in Philadelphia and a branch mint in New Orleans (repealed in 1841 when Congress passed bill for a third BUS but President Tyler vetoed it twice all members of his cabinet except Webster resign in protest Sub Treasury Plan reenacted in 1846)	The Specie Circular (hard money) made economic matters worse, and the Second Bank ended with Jackson's veto of the re-charter and by removing federal deposits before the bank charter ended in 1836. Jacksonian Democrats did not support a national bank. A SubTreasury plan was added, however it was not able to prevent panics.
Panic of 1857	Antebellum Era	agricultural exports declined after the end of the Crimean War in Europe     Over-speculation in railroads and real estate	Crowds of unemployed flocked into Central Park, threatened authorities, demanded jobs they were given jobs     Charities formed and set up soup kitchens     Started one of the first waves of panic selling on the Stock Market	
Panic and Depression of 1869- 1871	Reconstruction Era and early Gilded Age	1. Gold was scarce and interest rates high 2. Gold was not traded as a commodity (Gold Exchange formed in 1864 for this purpose) 3. Railroad speculation was high 4. Black Friday, Gold Panic (Fisk and Gould attempted to corner market Grant dumped 4 million in gold on the market)	Gold prices fell     fortunes were lost     businesses and individuals panicked     interest in paper currency increased among debtors	

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American Panics and Depressions	Era	Causes	Effects	Significance
Panic of 1873 and Depression of 1873- 1876		1. Jay Cooke and Co. declared bankruptcy (this bank underwrote construction of Northern Pacific RR and helped finance the Civil War)  2. Overproduction and over expansion of economy  3. Declining market  4. Deflation  5. European banks (also in depression) called in loans to Americans  6. Crime of 73 prevented increase in currency through silver	<ol> <li>Stock Market panic people sold their stocks</li> <li>10,000 businesses failed</li> <li>New York Stock Exchange closed its doors for 10 days</li> <li>RR construction declined and some defaulted on their loans</li> <li>Unemployed move to cities seeking jobs</li> <li>Desperate individuals move west in hopes of finding opportunity</li> <li>Interest in silver increased among farmers and workers</li> </ol>	
Panic of 1893 and Depression of 1893- 1897		Excessive industry and RR speculation     Philadelphia and Reading RR file for bankruptcy     McKinley Tariff of 1890 and decreased exports     Grain, cotton, steel, and timber prices fall     European banks sell their American stocks and bonds     Public runs on banks	J.P. Morgan warns President Cleveland of the panic and urged him to repeal the Sherman Silver Purchase Act of 1890 it is repealed but does not stop the depression which is worldwide     500 banks failed     Coxey's Army marched on Washington     Government borrows 65 million from J.P. Morgan     Debate over bimetallism increases	
Panic of 1901		Drought     Public spooked by McKinley's assassination     Edward Harriman tries to buy up Northern Pacific stock (already controlled Union Pacific)	Stock holders panicked and began selling first major stock market crash for the New York Stock Exchange     Harriman and his monopoly (Northern Securities Holding Co.) soon broken up under the Sherman Antitrust Act	Progressive reformers sought federal legislation to increase government control of banking and money supply in order to reduce the wild fluctuations of the business cycle. The Federal Reserve Act is passed in 1913, creating our current system, Federal Reserve System.
Panic of 1929 and "Great" Depression of 1929- 1945		<ol> <li>1.</li> <li>2.</li> <li>3.</li> <li>4.</li> <li>5.</li> <li>6.</li> <li>Other causes:</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>1.</li> <li>2.</li> <li>3.</li> <li>4.</li> <li>5.</li> <li>6.</li> <li>Other effects</li> </ol>	